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Montana State Library Commission

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The Legislative Audit Committee of the Montana State Legislature:

This is our financial-compliance audit report on the Montana State Library Commission for the two fiscal years ended June 30, 2017. During the course of the audit, we analyzed the financial schedules, reviewed financial records, and tested compliance with state laws and regulations.

The Library's written response to the audit recommendation is included in the audit report at page C-1. We thank the Montana State Library Commission, the State Librarian, and her staff for their cooperation and assistance throughout the audit.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Angus Maciver

Angus Maciver Legislative Auditor

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APPOINTED AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS

			Term Expires
Montana State Library Commission	Bruce Newell, Chair	Helena	June 2019
Commission	Anne Kish, Vice Chair	Twin Bridges	June 2020
	Connie Eissinger	Brockway	June 2018
	Aaron LaFromboise	Browning	June 2020
	Ken Wall	Missoula	June 2018

Elsie Arntzen*, Superintendant of Public Instruction

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FINANCIAL-COMPLIANCE AUDIT Montana State Library Commission For the Two Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2017

APRIL 2018 17-23 REPORT SUMMARY

The Montana State Library Commission administers state and federal funding to operate the state library; provides assistance and advice to all tax-supported libraries throughout the state; maintains a library of reading material for Montanans unable to utilize printed materials; and maintains a centralized clearinghouse for Montana's natural resources information and land data, a depository system for state government publications, and digital library services to Montana residents via the internet. Budget reductions for the 2019 biennium, and implemented by the Montana State Library Commission in fiscal year 2018, caused Montana State Library personnel to reduce staff by 12 positions, close the downstairs reading room, and an overall reduction of their print collection.

Context

Montana State Library is the source for State Government Information, Natural Resources Information, and Geographic Information for all Montanans. Montana State library is composed of programs that serve the information needs of all branches of state government, its agencies, local counterparts, and individuals seeking information and materials that are not found in their local libraries.

During the audit of Montana State Library Commission (Library) for fiscal years 2016 and 2017, we analyzed the financial schedules and performed a variety of analytical tests over the financial information to determine whether the financial schedules present fairly the Library's financial positions and results of operations.

We focused our efforts primarily on the Library's activity related to charges for services revenues, federal revenues, and grant expenditures. The Library received \$1,128,419 and \$1,239,379 respectively, in charges for services revenue and \$1,179,679 and \$1,083,384 respectively, in federal revenues in fiscal years 2016 and 2017. Our audit work included, but was not limited to, evaluating the accuracy and completeness of revenue amounts by completing a sample of invoices sent out by the Library, reviewing county collection

reports, and investigating results of analytic procedures.

In fiscal years 2016 and 2017, the Library also distributed \$729,344 and \$773,719, respectively, in grant expenditures to various recipients. Our audit work included, but was not limited to, evaluating the accuracy of grant allocation amounts calculated by the Library, and confirming intended grant recipients received the correct amount.

Additional audit procedures included developing an understanding of and testing various control procedures used by the Library, as well as reviewing and testing compliance with selected state laws and regulations.

Results

We issued an unmodified opinion on the Montana State Library's financial schedules, meaning that financial information can be used for decision-making purposes. We also followed up on the prior audit's recommendation and determined it had been implemented.

This report contains no recommendations.

Chapter I – Introduction

Audit Scope

We performed a financial-compliance audit of the Montana State Library Commission (Library) for the two fiscal years ended June 30, 2017. The objectives of this audit were to:

- 1. Obtain an understanding of the Library's control systems to the extent necessary to support our audit of the Library's financial schedules and, if appropriate, make recommendations for improvement in management and internal controls of the Library.
- 2. Determine whether the Library's financial schedules present fairly the results of operations and changes in fund equity for each of the two fiscal years ended June 30, 2017, and June 30, 2016.
- 3. Determine whether the Library complied with selected applicable state laws and regulations.
- 4. Determine the implementation status of the prior audit recommendation.

We achieved the stated objectives through focused communications with Library staff to develop an understanding of the control procedures in place related to the revenue and expenditure activity during our audit period. Our audit work included, but was not limited to, evaluating the accuracy and completeness of revenue and expenditure amounts by completing testing of selected controls, sample work, review of transactions, and reviewing results of analytical procedures to determine the reasonableness of Library's financial activity. We also determined compliance with various state laws and regulations through interviews with key Library personnel and reviewing supporting documentation. We also followed up on a reported hotline call.

Background

The Library is governed by five Governor appointees, the state Superintendent of Public Instruction or the superintendent's designee, and a librarian appointed by the Commissioner of Higher Education. The Library's focus is to strengthen Montana libraries by directing the development and improvement of library services, to provide library services to Montanans who cannot read traditional print materials, and to manage and provide access to state government, geographic, and natural resources information for all Montana citizens. The Library consists of three divisions with an authorized total of 33.08 full-time equivalent employees (FTE) at June 30, 2017. Because of the required budget reductions for the 2019 biennium that are described in further detail below, State Library was required to reduce staff by a total of 12 positions by means of not filling vacant positions and reduction in force; authorized FTE were not reduced because of the required budget reductions.

Montana Digital Library Division (11.81 FTE): Within the division, Geographic Information provides comprehensive statewide geospatial information and consulting services, including the Natural Resource Information System (NRIS) which provides for the acquisition, storage, and dissemination of information concerning Montana's natural resources. The Natural Heritage Program provides information on the status and distribution of the state's native plants and animals and manages the Montana Wetland and Riparian Mapping Center, the Montana Land Management Mapping Program, and the Montana Field Guide. The Water Information System is a program of NRIS, and provides access to information relating to Montana's water resources, and the State Publication Center maintains a comprehensive collection of state agency publications. Reductions required by Chapter 366, Laws of 2017 (House Bill 2) and Chapter 429, Laws of 2017 (Senate Bill 261) for the 2019 biennium, and implemented by the Montana State Library Commission in fiscal year 2018, caused the closing of the downstairs reading room. Additionally, the Library reduced the number of Digital Library staff by 6 through a combination of reduction in force and not filling a vacant position.

Statewide Library Resources Division (12.62 FTE): Provides the tools, training, and expertise to Montana libraries through various programs and resources including, Montana Shared Catalog (MSC), Statewide Library Consultants, Statewide Training and Certification, Ready 2 Read, Montana Talking Book Library, Montana Memory Project, and Library2Go. The MSC has members located in 99 communities across Montana and provides access to more than 5 million items to Montanans. The Library2Go is a statewide downloadable e-content service providing access to eBooks and downloadable audiobooks to patrons of the Montana Library2Go members. The Montana Talking Book Library provides free audio books and magazines to eligible Montana residents that are unable to use traditional print materials. Reductions required by House Bill 2 and Senate Bill 261 for the 2019 biennium caused the State Library to reduce the number of Talking Book Library staff by two through a reduction in force. Additionally, the State Library merged the Talking Book Library into the Digital Library in order to share staff expertise.

Central Services Division (8.65 FTE): Provides support to all of the Library's programs by performing accounting, fiscal management, payroll, information technology support, and other administrative functions. Reductions required by House Bill 2 and Senate Bill 261 for the 2019 biennium caused the State Library to reduce the number of Central Services staff by 4 through a combination of reduction in force and not filling a vacant position.

All of the financial activity from the three divisions previously discussed is reflected in a singular Statewide Library Resources Program on the Library's Schedule of Expenditures and Transfers-Out beginning on page A-7.

Prior Audit Recommendations

The prior audit report contained one recommendation related to internal controls over revenue amounts received from the Department of Revenue. Montana State Library implemented the recommendation by establishing a reconciliation process to compare amounts received from the Department of Revenue through the county collection reports to what is recorded on SABHRS to ensure they are receiving the correct amount.

Independent Auditor's Report and Commission Financial Schedules

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Independent Auditor's Report

The Legislative Audit Committee of the Montana State Legislature:

Introduction

We have audited the accompanying Schedules of Changes in Fund Equity, Schedules of Total Revenues & Transfers-In, and Schedules of Total Expenditures & Transfers-Out of the Montana State Library Commission for each of the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017, and 2016, and the related notes to the financial schedules.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Schedules

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial schedules in accordance with the regulatory format prescribed by the Legislative Audit Committee, based on the transactions posted to the state's accounting system without adjustment; this responsibility includes recording transactions in accordance with state accounting policy; and designing, implementing, and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial schedules that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial schedules based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial schedules are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial schedules. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial schedules, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal controls relevant to the Montana State Library Commission's preparation and fair presentation of the financial schedules in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Montana State Library Commission's internal control, and accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness

of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as the overall presentation of the financial schedules.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinions on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1, the financial schedules are prepared from the transactions posted to the state's primary accounting system without adjustment, in the regulatory format prescribed by the Legislative Audit Committee. This is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The financial schedules are not intended to, and do not, report assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and cash flows.

The effects on the financial schedules of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Unmodified Opinions on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion, the Schedules of Changes in Fund Equity, Schedules of Total Revenues & Transfers-In, and Schedules of Total Expenditures & Transfers-Out, presents fairly, in all material respects, the results of operations and changes in fund equity of the Montana State Library Commission for each of the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017, and 2016, in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 8, 2018, on our consideration of the Montana State Library Commission's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Montana State Library Commission's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Cindy Jorgenson

Cindy Jorgenson, CPA Deputy Legislative Auditor Helena MT

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN FUND EQUITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Enterprise Fund \$ (57,484)	356,846 1,749	358,595	360,603 7,533	368,136	\$ (67,024)
Federal Special Revenue Fund	1,086,128	1,086,975	1,086,975	1,086,975	0
State Special Revenue Fund \$ 1,032,707	1,200,076 15,191 268 456	1,483,722	1,370,874 92,889 (24,874)	1,438,889	\$ 1,077,540
General Fund \$ (296,542)	3 425 500	3,425,599	3,409,936 (1,686) 324	3,408,574	\$ (279,516)
FUND EQUITY: July 1, 2016	ADDITIONS Budgeted Revenues & Transfers-In Nonbudgeted Revenues & Transfers-In Prior Year Revenues & Transfers-In Adjustments	Total Additions	REDUCTIONS Budgeted Expenditures & Transfers-Out Nonbudgeted Expenditures & Transfers-Out Prior Year Expenditures & Transfers-Out	Total Reductions	FUND EQUITY: June 30, 2017

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN FUND EQUITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

Enterprise Fund \$ (21,013)	321,516 2,058	323,574	354,342 5,703	360,045	\$ (57,484)
Federal Special Revenue Fund	1,187,109	1,187,596	1,187,596	1,187,596	0
State Special Revenue Fund \$ 910,887	1,123,638	463,226 1,594,516	1,463,765 8,972 (40)	1,472,696	\$ 1,032,707
General Fund \$ (206,716)		3,313,743 3,313,743	3,405,237 (1,968) 299	3,403,569	\$ (296,542)
FUND EQUITY: July 1, 2015	ADDITIONS Budgeted Revenues & Transfers-In Nonbudgeted Revenues & Transfers-In Prior Year Revenues & Transfers-In Adjustments	Direct Entries to Fund Equity Total Additions	REDUCTIONS Budgeted Expenditures & Transfers-Out Nonbudgeted Expenditures & Transfers-Out Prior Year Expenditures & Transfers-Out Adjustments	Total Reductions	FUND EQUITY: June 30, 2016

SCHEDULE OF TOTAL REVENUES & TRANSFERS-IN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	o, E	State Special	Federal Special	Enterprise Fund	Total	
TOTAL REVENUES & TRANSFERS-IN BY CLASS	-			5	5	
Taxes			\$ 847		\$ 847	
Charges for Services	↔	882,532		\$ 356,846	1,239,379	
Investment Earnings		9,180			9,180	
Grants, Contracts, and Donations		209,018		1,749	210,767	
Transfers-in		114,537	2,744		117,281	
Federal			1,083,384		1,083,384	
Total Revenues & Transfers-In		1,215,266	1,086,975	358,595	2,660,837	
Less: Nonbudgeted Revenues & Transfers-In		15,191		1,749	16,940	
Prior Year Revenues & Transfers-In Adjustments			847		847	
Actual Budgeted Revenues & Transfers-In		1,200,076	1,086,128	356,846	2,643,050	
Estimated Revenues & Transfers-In		1,196,635	1,087,588	356,849	2,641,072	
Budgeted Revenues & Transfers-In Over (Under) Estimated	\$	3,441	\$ (1,461)	\$ (3)	\$ 1,978	
BUDGETED REVENUES & TRANSFERS-IN OVER (UNDER) ESTIMATED BY CLASS						
Charges for Services	ઝ	3,532		\$ (3)	\$ 3,530	
Investment Earnings		(26)			(99)	
Grants, Contracts, and Donations		(36)			(36)	
Transfers-in		(0)	(66)		(100)	
Federal			(1,361)		(1,361)	
Budgeted Revenues & Transfers-In Over (Under) Estimated	ક્ર	3,441	\$ (1,461)	\$ (3)	\$ 1,978	

LIBRARY COMMISSION SCHEDULE OF TOTAL REVENUES & TRANSFERS-IN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

	S S	State Special Revenue Fund	Ā X	Federal Special Revenue Fund	Enterprise Fund		Total
TOTAL REVENUES & TRANSFERS-IN BY CLASS						1	
Taxes			છ	487		↔	487
Charges for Services	ક્ર	806,903			\$ 321,516		1,128,419
Investment Earnings		4,290					4,290
Grants, Contracts, and Donations		224,042			2,058		226,100
Transfers-in		96,055		7,429			103,484
Federal				1,179,679			1,179,679
Total Revenues & Transfers-In		1,131,290		1,187,596	323,574	, I	2,642,460
Less: Nonbudgeted Revenues & Transfers-In		7,652			2,058		9,710
Prior Year Revenues & Transfers-In Adjustments				487			487
Actual Budgeted Revenues & Transfers-In		1,123,638		1,187,109	321,516	I	2,632,263
Estimated Revenues & Transfers-In		1,123,764		1,187,258	321,517		2,632,539
Budgeted Revenues & Transfers-In Over (Under) Estimated	₩	(126)	↔	(149)	\$	\$	(276)
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DUDGETED REVENUES & TRANSPERS-IN OVER (UNDER) ESTIMATED DI CLASS	6	(20)			6	6	(00)
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Transfers-in		(5)	s	(3)			<u> </u>
Federal				(146)			(146)
Budgeted Revenues & Transfers-In Over (Under) Estimated	မ	(126)	છ	(149)	\$	•	(276)

LIBRARY COMMISSION SCHEDULE OF TOTAL EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS-OUT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

		Statewide Library Resources	Total
PROGRAM (ORG) EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS-OUT	_		
Personal Services Salaries Other Compensation Employee Benefits Personal Services-Other Total	\$	2,301,919 2,200 925,014 1,700 3,230,833	\$ 2,301,919 2,200 925,014 1,700 3,230,833
Operating Expenses Other Services Supplies & Materials Communications Travel Rent Repair & Maintenance Other Expenses Total		1,244,989 148,947 75,405 98,763 371,553 100,862 160,024 2,200,542	1,244,989 148,947 75,405 98,763 371,553 100,862 160,024 2,200,542
Equipment & Intangible Assets Equipment Total	_	1,218 1,218	1,218 1,218
Capital Outlay Buildings Total	_	80,079 80,079	80,079 80,079
Grants From State Sources From Federal Sources Total	_	773,719 300 774,019	773,719 300 774,019
Post Employment Benefits Other Post Employment Benefits Employer Pension Expense Total	_	7,267 8,618 15,885	7,267 8,618 15,885
Total Expenditures & Transfers-Out	\$	6,302,575	\$ <u>6,302,575</u>
EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS-OUT BY FUND			
General Fund State Special Revenue Fund Federal Special Revenue Fund Enterprise Fund Total Expenditures & Transfers-Out Less: Nonbudgeted Expenditures & Transfers-Out Prior Year Expenditures & Transfers-Out Adjustments Actual Budgeted Expenditures & Transfers-Out Budget Authority Unspent Budget Authority	\$ \$	3,408,574 1,438,889 1,086,975 368,136 6,302,575 98,736 (24,550) 6,228,389 6,925,143 696,754	\$ 3,408,574 1,438,889 1,086,975 368,136 6,302,575 98,736 (24,550) 6,228,389 6,925,143 \$ 696,754
UNSPENT BUDGET AUTHORITY BY FUND			
General Fund State Special Revenue Fund Federal Special Revenue Fund Enterprise Fund Unspent Budget Authority	\$ \$	97,002 432,947 162,939 3,867 696,754	\$ 97,002 432,947 162,939 3,867 \$ 696,754

LIBRARY COMMISSION SCHEDULE OF TOTAL EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS-OUT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

		Statewide Library Resources	Total
PROGRAM (ORG) EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS-OUT			
Personal Services Salaries Other Compensation Employee Benefits Personal Services-Other Total	\$	2,242,628 2,250 800,300 665 3,045,843	\$ 2,242,628 2,250 800,300 665 3,045,843
Operating Expenses Other Services Supplies & Materials Communications Travel Rent Repair & Maintenance Other Expenses Total	_	1,389,929 144,406 85,727 122,323 372,162 82,663 435,748 2,632,959	1,389,929 144,406 85,727 122,323 372,162 82,663 435,748 2,632,959
Equipment & Intangible Assets Equipment Total	_	2,307 2,307	2,307 2,307
Grants From State Sources Total	_	729,344 729,344	729,344 729,344
Post Employment Benefits Other Post Employment Benefits Employer Pension Expense Total	_	6,748 6,705 13,453	6,748 6,705 13,453
Total Expenditures & Transfers-Out	\$	6,423,906	\$ 6,423,906
EXPENDITURES & TRANSFERS-OUT BY FUND			
General Fund State Special Revenue Fund Federal Special Revenue Fund Enterprise Fund Total Expenditures & Transfers-Out Less: Nonbudgeted Expenditures & Transfers-Out Prior Year Expenditures & Transfers-Out Adjustments Actual Budgeted Expenditures & Transfers-Out Budget Authority	\$ 	3,403,569 1,472,696 1,187,596 360,045 6,423,906 12,707 259 6,410,940 7,407,916	\$ 3,403,569 1,472,696 1,187,596 360,045 6,423,906 12,707 259 6,410,940 7,407,916
Unspent Budget Authority	\$	996,976	\$ 996,976
UNSPENT BUDGET AUTHORITY BY FUND			
General Fund State Special Revenue Fund Federal Special Revenue Fund Enterprise Fund	\$ 	54,565 337,032 604,157 1,222	\$ 54,565 337,032 604,157 1,222
Unspent Budget Authority	\$_	996,976	\$ 996,976

Montana State Library Commission Notes to the Financial Schedules For the Two Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2017

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The Montana State Library Commission (Library) uses the modified accrual basis of accounting, as defined by state accounting policy, for its Governmental fund category (General, State Special Revenue, Federal Special Revenue). In applying the modified accrual basis, the Library records:

- Revenues when it receives cash or when receipts are realizable, measurable, earned, and available to pay current period liabilities.
- Expenditures for valid obligations when the department incurs the related liability and it is measurable, with the exception of the cost of employees' annual and sick leave. State accounting policy requires the Library to record the cost of employees' annual and sick leave when used or paid.

The Library uses accrual basis accounting for its Proprietary (Enterprise) fund category. Under the accrual basis, as defined by state accounting policy, the Library records revenues in the accounting period when realizable, measurable, and earned, and records expenses in the period incurred when measurable.

Expenditures and expenses may include: entire budgeted service contracts even though the library receives the services in a subsequent fiscal year; goods ordered with a purchase order before fiscal year-end, but not received as of fiscal year-end; and equipment ordered with a purchase order before fiscal year-end.

Basis of Presentation

The financial schedule format was adopted by the Legislative Audit Committee. The financial schedules are prepared from the transactions posted to the state's accounting system without adjustment.

The Library uses the following funds:

Governmental Fund Category

- **General Fund** to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- **State Special Revenue Fund** to account for proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than private-purpose trusts or major capital projects) that are

- legally restricted to expenditures for specific state program purposes. Library State Special Revenue Funds include allocations of Coal Severance Taxes, Natural Resource Information System contracts with state and private entities, Montana Land Information, and other private donations.
- Federal Special Revenue Fund to account for activities funded from federal revenue sources. Library Federal Special Revenue Funds include the Library Services and Technology Act grants and Natural Resource Information System contracts with federal entities.

Proprietary Fund Category

• Enterprise Fund – to account for operations (a) financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the Legislature intends that the Library finance or recover costs primarily through user charges; (b) where the Legislature has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred or net income is appropriate; (c) where the activity is financed solely by a pledge of the net revenues from fees and charges of the activity; or (d) when laws or regulations require that the activities' cost of providing services, including capital costs, be recovered with fees and charges rather than with taxes or similar revenues. Library Enterprise Funds include Montana Shared Catalog.

2. General Fund and Enterprise Equity Balance

The negative fund equity balance in the General Fund does not indicate overspent appropriation authority. The Library has authority to pay obligations from the statewide General Fund within its appropriation limits. The Library expends cash or other assets from the statewide fund when it pays General Fund obligations. The Library's outstanding liabilities exceed the assets it has placed in the fund, resulting in negative ending General Fund equity balances for each of the fiscal years ended June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

Negative fund equity in the Enterprise funds comes from applying GASB Statement #68, covering pension plan accounting, and GASB Statement #45, guidance for other post employment benefit plan accounting. The result is a net decrease to fund equity in the Enterprise fund that causes a negative fund equity balance for the fiscal year-ended June 30, 2016, of \$57,484 and for the fiscal year-ended June 30, 2017, of \$67,024. It does not indicate overspent budget authority.

3. <u>Unspent Budget Authority</u>

The Schedule of Total Expenditures & Transfers-Out for 2016 presents unspent budget authority of \$337,032 in the State Special Revenue Fund and \$604,157 in the Federal Special Revenue Fund. State Special Revenue unspent authority is related to lower than estimated Coal Severance Tax Revenue, and the Montana Land Information

Account which is based on an estimate in HB 2, and is driven by the Montana Land Plan yearly approval and revenue forecast and NRIS contract related services. In the Federal Special Revenue Fund, NRIS federal contract related services and the federal authority for the Library Services and Technology Act funds are based on an estimate in HB 2 and funded as continuing appropriations. Expenditures are driven by the award and projects each year and the unspent authority carries into FY 17.

The Schedule of Total Expenditures & Transfers-Out for 2017 presents unspent budget authority of \$432,947 in the State Special Revenue Fund and \$162,939 in the Federal Special Revenue Fund. State Special Revenue unspent authority is related to lower than estimated Coal Severance Tax Revenue, and the Montana Land Information Account which is based on an estimate in HB 2, and is driven by the Montana Land Plan yearly approval and revenue forecast and NRIS contract related services. In the Federal Special Revenue Fund, NRIS federal contract related services and the federal authority for the Library Services and Technology Act funds are based on an estimate in HB 2 and expenditures are driven by the award and projects each year.

4. Subsequent Events

Subsequent to the June 30, 2017, fiscal year-end, the Library received two checks from an estate totaling \$1,943,374. This was deposited into the Library trust account per (MCA 22-1-225, 22-1-226, 22-1-103). No expenditures have yet to be extinguished with these funds and authorization to use them will follow the instructions from the estate's attorney and the Montana State Library Commission Policy – Montana State Library Trust.

Senate Bill 261 (SB 261), passed during the 2017 Legislative Session, contained requirements for the Department of Administration to determine, by August 15, 2017, the unaudited revenue for the General Fund and compare this to estimates approved by the Legislature. The bill cut spending authority for fiscal year 2018 and/or 2019, should the unaudited revenue balance fall below \$2.216 billion at five different intervals. The Montana State Library was affected by Level 3 budget reduction in appropriation for a reduction of \$666,527 in fiscal year 2018 and \$669,513 in fiscal year 2019. This along with the reduction in HB 2 the State Library was at total reductions of \$990,691 per year. The State Library was forced to reduce staff by 12 positions, merge the Talking Book Library into the Digital Library, close the reading room and reduce funding for the Natural Heritage Program contract by 25%.

Report on Internal Control and Compliance

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL SCHEDULES PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

The Legislative Audit Committee of the Montana State Legislature:

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the Schedules of Changes in Fund Equity, Schedules of Total Revenues & Transfers-In, and Schedules of Total Expenditures & Transfers-Out of the Montana State Library Commission for each of the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017, and 2016, and the related notes to the financial schedules, and have issued our report thereon dated March 8, 2018.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial schedules, we considered the Montana State Library Commission's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial schedules, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Montana State Library Commission's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Montana State Library Commission's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial schedules will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal controls was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Montana State Library Commission's financial schedules are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial schedule amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Montana State Library Commission's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Montana State Library Commission's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Cindy Jorgenson

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March 8, 2018

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Mr. Angus Maciver, Legislative Auditor Legislative Audit Division P.O. Box 201705 Helena, MT 59620-1705

Dear Mr. Maciver:

We would like to thank the Legislative Audit staff for their work to complete the State Library Commission Financial-Compliance Audit for the two fiscal years ending June 30, 2017. We appreciate their professionalism and the rapport they established with our staff which made the process both thorough and efficient.

We are pleased your report contains no audit recommendations. I assure you that we will strive to continue to maintain and improve the exceptional fiscal management of the State Library. We always value input from your staff as we do so.

I am available to answer questions or provide further information that you or the Legislative Audit Committee may require.

Sincerely,

Y∉nnie Stapp State Librarian